COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, September 3rd, 1883.

The Board of Aldermen met last night in the City Hall. Present: Mayor Meredith, in the chair; also Ald. Birrell, Hyman, O'Meara, Cowan, Skinner, Stringer, Browne, Becher, Moore, and A. S. Abbott, City Clerk.

COMMUNICATIONS.

W. Diplock—Asking to be relieved of his fish license, as he is paying $8 per month rent for a house and $5 per month for fish stall on the market. No. 3.

John B. Smyth, secretary of the Western Fair—Requesting that pipes and hydrants be laid on the grounds and a supply of water granted. No. 3 with power.

John Hackett—Asking the refund of $5, paid by him for release of five cows impounded in southern pound, his fences having been swept away by the flood. No. 3.

Plastow Bros.—Asking when they can remove the pipe which they laid to supply London West with water. Referred to the Water Commissioners.

James Hattery—Asking that the Council secure the admission of one Wm. Oates into some permanent asylum. No. 3.

Sergt. Baker and Corp. James—Asking the use of City Hall on behalf of No. 6 Company, 7th Fusiliers, for an assembly on September 19. Granted.

Thos. Joice—Claming $740 damages done by the late flood. Filed.

Wm. Kiley—Asking the use of City Hall on behalf of the "Favorite Club," for an assembly on October 3. No. 2, with power.

T. Brock, J. J. Smith and W. Diplock—Asking to be released from payment of water rates for the cleaning of fish stalls, of which they are lessees. No. 3.

Elizabeth Lloyd—Petition in reference to taxes. No. 1.

G. Shuff—Asking that steps be taken to shade stall No. 18, at the south end of the market bazar, as the heat of the sun puts him to loss and inconvenience. No. 3

D. G. Mackenzie, county clerk—A letter stating that a committee of the County Council, which was to have met a city committee on Thursday 6th, would probably not be able to do so as the County Council meets on Friday. No. 1.

Thos. Morkin—Complaining that his cow, which was quietly feeding on the Exhibition Grounds, had been driven into the pound by special Constables Mason and Forkey. He asked that steps be taken to prevent such outrages in future. No. 2.

Thos. Morkin—A letter stating that for some time past he had pastured his cow on the Exhibition Grounds. Last Wednesday she was let out and broke into a garden, doing damage to vegetables. For this he was forced to pay $5 damages and 50 cents cost of Police Court. He asked that the same be refunded, as he pays the city for pasturage. No. 2.

R. Hexter—Asking exemption from payment of dog tax, as he does not now nor never owned a dog. No. 1.

Kobert McPherson and others—Asking that a defective sidewalk on King street be taken up and relaid. No. 2.

REPORT NUMBER THREE COMMITTEE.

By Ald. Cowan, in the absence of the chairman, Ald. Hunt:

1. That the petitions of Drs. F. P. Drake and J. D. Wilson be filed, there being no no vacancy on the hospital staff at present.

2. That the petition of the London Skating Rink Company be filed.

3. That the petition of John McDonald be granted, provided the property holders in that vicinity do not object.

4. That the following accounts be paid: Bowman & Co., coal, $7 62; Geo. T. Dodd, on account of contract, $150; Luney & Parsons, on contract, $75. Total, $231 62.

5. That this committee be empowered to call for tenders for coal required by the corporation.

6. That the fire department pay sheet for August, amounting to $323 3[illegible], be paid.

7. That Wonnacott & Coppenger's account, $20 2[illegible], be paid.

8. That the following tenders for hospital supplies for one year, from September 6, be accepted: Thomas Brook, fish — Salmon trout, 8 cts. per lb., white fish, 8 cts. per lb., pickerel, 7 cts. per lb; herrings, 25 cts. per doz.; cod and haddock, 8 cts. per lb. S. Cooper, milk, from 1st Sept., 1883, to 1st May, 1884, 5 cts., per quart; from 1st May, 1884, to 1st Sept., 1884, 3½ cts. per quart. James Perkins, meat, as follows: Beef, hind quarter, $8 per cwt.; forequarter, $7; mutton, side $7; John Ranahan, bread, 2½ cts. per lb.; Tytler & Bullen, groceries, their tender being the lowest. C. McCallum, drugs and chemicals, his tender being the lowest. Wm. Hinton, interments, as follows: For adult's coffin, burial and grave fees, $[illegible]; children under nine years, $5 50.

9. That Dr. Wilkinson be granted ten days' leave of absence, he finding substitute to take charge while he is away. Adopted.

REPORT OF NO. 2 COMMITTEE.

By Ald. Browne, chairman, 1. Payment of the following accounts: Commissioners' pay roll to Aug. 22d, $417 33; to Aug. 29, $338 39; Victoria Park pay roll to Aug. 22d, $24 50; to Aug. 29th, $22 50. Total, $802 72; H. M. Douglas, hauling stone, $24 61; T. E. O'Callaghan, nails, $3; Bennett Manufacturing Co., furniture, $29; Marshall & Stevenson, work, $4. Total, $51 61.

2. That of the petitions respecting the signs and awnings, we would recommend for adoption that of A. McCormick and 125 others as the most representative.

3. Herewith we present the City Engineer's report of the estimated expenditures required for the current year:

THE ESTIMATES.

The estimates for the department in charge of No.

Committee for 1883, prepared by Thos. H. Tracy, City Engineer, were as follows:

Special appropriation	$16,000
General fund, repairs, work done before appropriation was made, street cleaning, tree washing, stone breaking, etc	8,000
Street sweeper and scraper and other special work	1 000
City Hall repairs and expenditures, including new roof	2,500 2,500
City parks	
Exhibition grounds, buildings etc, including salaries	850 750
York street bridge	360
Oxford street bridge	50
Wellington street bridge	50
Blackfriars bridge	500
Victoria bridge	6,000
Kensington bridge (if built)	300
General repairs	2,000
Flood damages, exclusive of bridges	50
City pounds	150
Registry Office	500
Court House and jail, including new furnaces	315
Militia camp	200
Police station furniture	1,100
Ridout street sewer (north)	500
Ridout street sewer (south)	450
Queen's Ave., Wellington to Clarence street	2,100
Dundas, Colborne to Adelaide street	4,000
William, Creek to Grosvenor	358
Dufferin Ave., Wellington to Pibton	750
King, Waterloo to Colborne	675
Waterloo, Horton to Bathurst	450
Clarence King to York	1,625
Talbot, Maple to Albert	
Total	$56,075

The report was taken up clause by clause. First passed and second read.

Ald. Browne said the petition respecting signs bore the names of nearly all the merchants on Dundas and Richmond streets, and was considered by the committee the most representative one.

Ald Stringer moved, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the bylaw be so amended that all cross signs and verandas now erected be allowed to remain until they are worn out, and that the operations of the bylaw on awnings and signs be confined to that portion of the city which is inside the fire limits

Ald. Birrell moved in amendment, seconded by Ald Moore, that the clause of the report pass.

Ald. Cowan moved, and Ald Skinner seconded, that discussion on the report be deferred till next meeting, so that all the members may have an opportunity to make full inquiries into the matter Carried.

A PETITIONER.

Mr. Robt. Smith addressed the Council in opposition to a proposed sewer on Ridout street, between King and York. He claimed that it would impose unjust and unnecessary taxation. He said several of the ratepayers protested, and would stand a law suit.

It was stated that the bylaw was not passed, and decided that nothing further be done before next Council meeting.

A BYLAW

was read providing for the construction of a sewer on King street, between Waterloo and Colborne.

Read twice. and the third reading moved.

Ald. Boyd moved in amendment seconded by Ald. O'Meara, that the third reading be laid over till the next meeting. Lost on the following division: Yeas—Ald. Boyd and O'Meara Nays—Ald. Cowan, Skinner, Browne, Moore Stringer and Becher.

The bylaw was then finally passed.

Council adjourned for two weeks.